



Spring 2010 Newsletter

Lodgepole Gallery & Tipi Village

Sharing Blackfeet culture &
Promoting Blackfeet art since 1993

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Oki Neek-Soo-Koo-Wah! (Hello Friends)

Aumatapoto' (It is beginning to be spring) and we are looking forward to a busy summer season, especially because Glacier National Park celebrates its one hundredths birthday this year, and many special events are planed. Our tipi-camp will be opening in May, and North American Indian Days will take place as usual on the second weekend in July. You can check the availability of our tipis and book you tipi online, which is fast, secure and easy.

This winter has been pretty mild except for December with not much moisture. Any snow we had, has been fast disappearing and gophers are coming out. In Glacier Park the bears finished their hibernation. We are hoping this spring will bring some rain for the prairie so the flowers, grasses and plants like wild mint can grow. The photo above shows local Prairie Crocus, which should be blooming in a few weeks. If you are interest in finding out more about our local flora, you can book a [Herbal walks](#) during your tipi-stay. The prices are on our Riding webpage.

Coming up in April are preparation for the opening of our tipi-camp and the Governor's Conference on Tourism in Kalispell, Montana. Darrell is invited to speak on a panel Native tourism.

Coming up next season:

Summer Art Show, June - Sept.

Glacier National Park Centennial

Local Pow Wows:

North American Indian Days

Hear Butte Society Celebration

Great Falls Art Week

It is always exciting to prepare and be part of the Great Falls Art Week in March, which features several art show with mainly Western art and antiques. As every year Darrell took part in the annual **Great Falls Native American Art Show** this year from March 18 to 21, 2010.



Darrell's "Quill Worker" – a stone sculpture – received second place in the art competition.

Blackfeetculturecamp Links

Lodgepole Gallery

Tipi Village

Kolibri Studio

Angelika's Photo Journal

Museum Links

CM Russell Museum

Museum of Plains Indian

Friends of the Museum

Western Art Show



During the Great Falls Art Week Angelika took part in a **Western Art Show at Gallery 16** with two of her new art pieces.

To the left you see "Awaiting" a digital collage she created from her tipi photos and her photos of Darrell's art work. She also printed postcards on watercolor paper from her artwork, which are for sale for \$5 each.

Lodgepole Summer Art Show 2010

As every year, we will have a summer art show at the Lodgepole Gallery. This year's topic is "Mountains". The show is **from June 7 to September 6, 2010**. We invite everybody to our reception on Sunday afternoon, June 6 from 3 to 6 PM.

Native Artist, if you would like to participate, please [contact us](#). We are in particular looking for Blackfeet artists from Montana.

Travel Links

Blackfeet Country

Trip Advisor

Travel Montana

Glacier National Park

*Make a gift of authentic
Native American art
From the Lodgepole Gallery!*

"The Bear's Medicine"

Mixed media collage

Angelika created this collage for the upcoming summer show using acrylics, four of her photos, bear berry leaves, a faux eagle feather etc.



Contemporary Par Fleche Painting



Angelika filmed the process of creating modern paintings based on Darrell's Blackfeet par fleches (painted raw hide container). Some years ago she develop a technique to transfer rawhide paintings onto paper, which allowed her to preserve the translucency and structure of the raw hide. You can watch her video on [You Tube](#)

Blackfeet Constitutional Reform

Since last fall Blackfeet have been meeting to discuss and write their new constitution. They reform group hopes the Blackfeet people can vote on the reform package during the next tribal election. Darrell takes part in the discussion regularly on Monday and Tuesday evenings. The meetings are open to every tribal member. To find out more about the constitutional reform visit <http://www.blackfeetvoice.org/>

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**In winter our gallery is open by
appointment**

Give us a call!

**From October to May
our office hours are
from 11 AM to 4 PM
Mondays to Fridays**

We are excited about the upcoming season and the return of summer and hope to see you.

Angelika Harden-Norman & Darrell Norman